

From the Mailbox

By Our Readers

Editor, Torrance Herald

For a person not to mind paying taxes is as newsworthy as a man biting a dog. The thought or mention of taxes raises hackles on the backs of the necks of every wage earner. I, however, was able to change my mental "Ugh!" to an enlightened "Oh!" when I looked the double session deal my kids underwent for a pro-

a school bond issue in the metropolitan district where they attend.

The result was a new high school in our area, and it was well worth it! Not only did it meet a physical need to relieve crowded quarters, but a moral one, as well. Senior and junior students were housed together along with kids from outlying areas and the discipline problems were many, including gang fights.

I NEVER knew when one of my kids would become involved and perhaps be maimed in some way. When the new school opened, a different atmosphere prevailed. Most of the toughies toned down and the other kids could breathe a sign of relief. Better attitudes developed and higher standards in manner and dress became evident as the kids took pride in their new surroundings. Consequently, their grades became better.

The larger the school district, the more difficult it is to reach people on a personal level. The Torrance community is fortunate to have a school board and administrators who go to great lengths to explain every expenditure and reason for needing a tax. It appeals to you as an adult in a very open way to give you an understanding of the needs and operation of a school district. It isn't

Torrance Youth Dances at Fair

Sye Malins Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Sye Malins Sr., 165 W. 226th Pl., danced at the Pomona Fair last Sunday with a youth group, the Polish National Alliance, made up of boys and girls 6 to 14 years of age. Patty Frazier of Glendale was Sye's partner.

The group is under the direction of Jadwiga Walkaszewska.



JAMES BECKER
Farewell Slated

GREGORY WAS formerly supervisor of customer contact in Compton, headquarters of the utility's Southern division. He is a native of Los Angeles. He graduated from John Muir Junior College in Pasadena, and he also attended UCLA. Presently, he resides with his wife Jo Anne and two boys, Jon and Jess, in Los Angeles. Soon to reside in Torrance, Gregory is making plans to be a resident of the community, longed number of years, straight in the dollar sign and decided to vote in favor of a

easy to face an audience and ask them for money, but these people are in there pitching!

IT TOOK ME 10 years of working for both a large and small school district to realize that these men and women have one thought in mind —

your child and my child!

The larger school system is unable to come to us on a face-to-face level, and we, in our family, do not gripe about an item in the newspaper telling us of a new tax assessment for the schools. We know that the high cost of living must

also affect our school systems —and they depend upon as pretty much for support.

I FIGURED that we do not mind improving our homes—why not our schools? In fact, I've come to the conclusion that supporting our schools is

just as necessary as buying toothpaste.

My observation of the Torrance School District is that the people behind the scenes, from the executives on down, strive wholeheartedly to maintain economy and good serv-

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ice for the people of their community.

Though I work for the district, I am not a resident of Torrance. Because I am unable to vote on Oct. 11, I thought this letter would be a volun-

tary, public gesture of appreciation to the Torrance Unified School District, in supporting the new tax override they are asking.

MARIE C. SWENSEN
Harbor City

Civic Leaders Meeting Today With Gas Execs

Area civic and business leaders will meet at the Palms Restaurant today to bid farewell to J. P. Becker of the Southern California Gas Co., and to welcome E. J. Gregory Jr., who has been appointed to succeed Becker as local manager.

George M. Babbe, gas company Southwest division manager, will be host at a luncheon and will introduce Gregory.

Becker, a native of Missouri, joined the gas utility as an order clerk just after World War II. In 1954 he was named branch office supervisor of the company's Huntington Park office, and in 1957 he took over as local manager in Torrance.

ACTIVE IN civic affairs, Becker has been a director of the Torrance and Lomita Chambers of Commerce, a member of the board of directors of the Executive Dinner Club of the Torrance area, and president of the Torrance Dental Health Association.

He has also held such posts as chairman of the Torrance Civic Center Promotion committee, a member of the Inter-city Highway Commission, and third vice president of the Torrance Lions. For the past two years he has been chairman of the Community Chest campaign for the Harbor area.

The Dishonor Roll

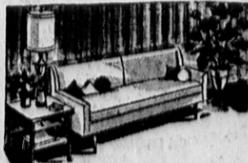
by Jerry Marcus



More than 85% of the vehicles involved in highway accidents are passenger cars.

TED'S DECORATING

- UPHOLSTERING
- REMODELING
- DRAPERIES
- SLIP COVERS

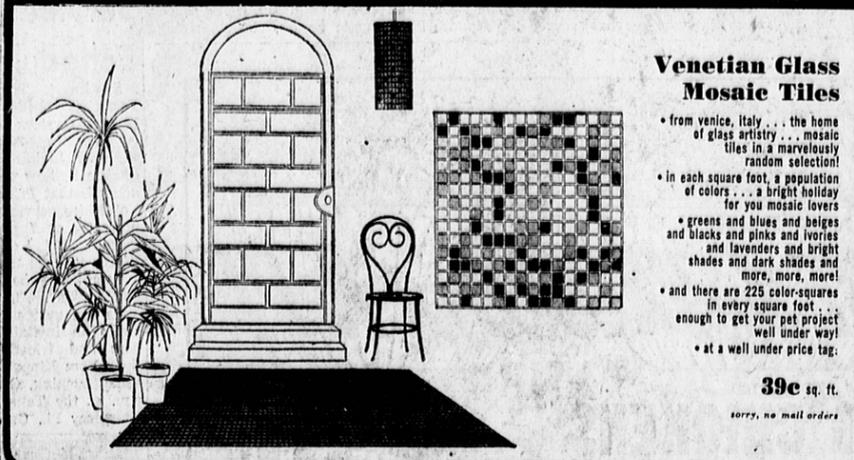


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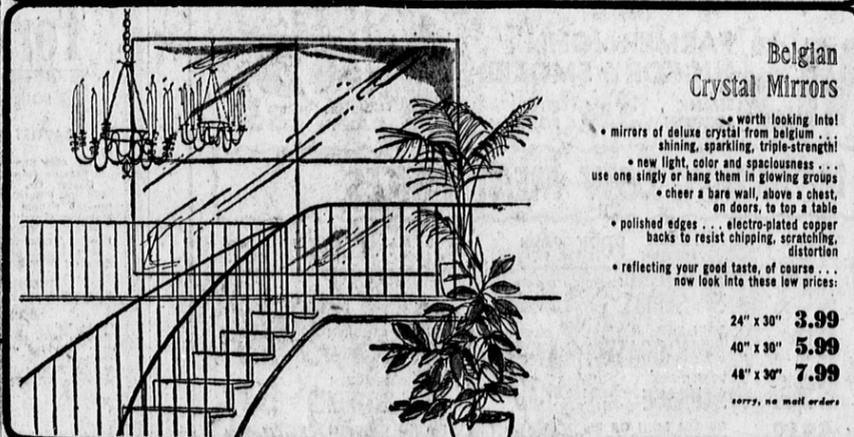
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Venetian Glass Mosaic Tiles

- from Venice, Italy... the home of glass artistry... mosaic tiles in a marvelously random selection!
- in each square foot, a population of colors... a bright holiday for you mosaic lovers
- greens and blues and beiges and blacks and pinks and ivories and lavenders and bright shades and dark shades and more, more, more!
- and there are 225 color-squares in every square foot... enough to get your pet project well under way!
- at a well under price tag:

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Belgian Crystal Mirrors

- worth looking into! mirrors of deluxe crystal from Belgium... shining, sparkling, triple-strength!
- new light, color and spaciousness... use one singly or hang them in glowing groups
- cheer a bare wall, above a chest, on doors, to top a table
- polished edges... electro-plated copper backs to resist chipping, scratching, distortion
- reflecting your good taste, of course... now look into these low prices:

24" x 30" 3.99
40" x 30" 5.99
48" x 30" 7.99
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Deluxe Size Decorator Flowers

- the flowers that bloom in the spring have nothing on these!
- let them flood your home... permanent bouquets of nature's favorites... big and bursting and beautiful!
- huge roses... chrysanthemum... magnolia... lilacs... gladiolus... geranium... delphinium... orchids... lilies... hydrangea... others... many with several blossoms on a branch!
- undying loveliness to brighten any room... and how can you be sure they're not real?

39c each
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Sale of Madras Shirts

- the looms of the orient weave magnificent madras!
- we discovered these hues in the east... tones both subdued and spectacular... and east meets west in the ivy styling
- oh that madras! gentle, whisper-light, colorfast... and with native stamina!
- madras cotton in bold stripes, madras in shadow stripes, madras in solids... colors precisely suited to your casual mood
- and at these tags you can sail away with several!

1.59
2 for \$3
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Decora Rubber Plant

- jungle greenery... a blaze of indoor color!
- and it thrives outdoors too... the hardest tropical of all
- 2 feet tall... it zooms quickly, easily
- huge satiny foot-long leaves
- yours in a 5-inch pot

1.69
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Split-leaf Philodendron

- magnificent split-leaf... your prized indoor foliage
- lavish split-leaves of deep green... they seem to overflow
- bold effect at a window, shining in a corner, welcoming at the door
- 2 feet tall now... in a 5-inch pot

1.39
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Imported Marble Tables

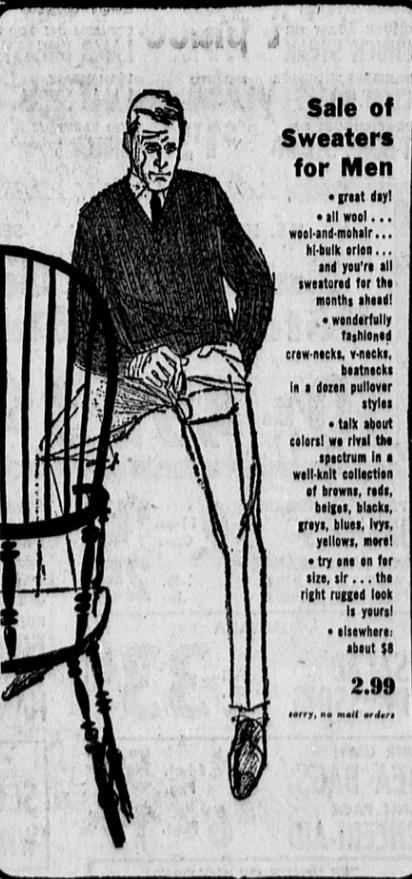
- help yourself to the luxury of marble... now so easily yours!
- breathtaking is the word... tables of inlaid terrazzo... thousands of marble pieces assembled in exciting random patterns
- each tabletop a full inch thick... on a base of wrought iron, 1 1/2 inches low
- choose from white, light green, brown, beige, pink... in 8 shapes and sizes
- base included

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CIRCLES
48" diameter
38" diameter
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RECTANGLES
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20" x 40"
16" x 30"

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Sale of Sweaters for Men

- great day!
- all wool... wool-and-mohair... hi-bulk ories... and you're all sweaters for the months ahead!
- wonderfully fashioned crew-necks, v-necks, boatnecks in a dozen pullover styles
- talk about colors! we rival the spectrum in a well-knit collection of browns, reds, beiges, blacks, greys, blues, ivys, yellows, more!
- try one on for size, sir... the right rugged look is yours!
- elsewhere: about \$8

2.99

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Golden Arborvitae

- neat, dependable and so gloriously gold-and-green!
- an evergreen shrub which reaches five feet... giving year-long color
- compact, symmetrical... so handsome as a hedge or border!
- and a spotlight of golden color in the garden
- in 1-gallon container

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